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## BLM Selects New Salem District Manager

**Portland, Ore.** – Oregon/Washington State Director Ed Shepard announced the selection of Kim Titus as the new the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Salem District Manager. Titus has been the Branch Chief for Planning, Science, and Resource Information in the Oregon State Office since 2006.

“Having worked at almost every single level of the BLM and the U.S. Forest Service Kim has a keen understanding of the processes, the people, and the places” said State Director Ed Shepard. “Kim’s interest in collaboration, public policy and the importance of the connection to communities will serve her well in the Salem District.”

Titus will report to the Salem District in early June 2012, replacing Miles Brown who recently retired. Jody Weil is the Acting District Manager until Titus’ report date. The Salem District Manager serves as the line manager and advises the State Director on policies and programs pertinent to the Salem District as they relate to the management of natural resources on public lands.

Titus has also served as the acting Forest Supervisor of the Willamette National Forest, Staff Officer for the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, and District Ranger on the Mount Hood National Forest. Kim began her career in leadership positions in 1991 as a Forest Engineer on the Lassen National Forest. Titus has a degree in Civil Engineering with a minor in Geology from the Colorado School of Mines. She is currently a member of the NW Oregon Type 2 Fire Team. She has two children: Alex is 22 and lives in Palo Alto, California, and Angie is 18 and a freshman at Western Oregon University.

The District’s northern boundary is the Columbia River and its southern boundary lies halfway between Salem and Eugene. From east to west the District stretches from the crest of the Cascades to the Pacific Ocean. Seventy three percent of Oregon’s population lives within the boundaries of the Salem District. The District manages its forests for recreation, wildlife, lumber production, and more. Sightseeing, camping, hiking, boating, hunting, fishing, cutting fire wood, and collecting mushrooms are just a few of the activities Oregonians enjoy on Salem BLM lands. More information about the BLM’s Salem District and its programs is available online at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/index.php>

The BLM manages more than 245 million acres of public land – the most of any Federal agency. This land, known as the National System of Public Lands, is primarily located in 12 Western states, including Alaska. The BLM also administers 700 million acres of sub-surface mineral estate throughout the nation. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2011, recreational and other activities on BLM-managed land contributed more than \$130 billion to the U.S. economy and supported more than 600,000 American jobs. The Bureau is also one of a handful of agencies that collects more revenue than it spends. In FY 2012, nearly \$5.7 billion will be generated on lands managed by the BLM, which operates on a \$1.1 billion budget. The BLM’s multiple-use mission is to sustain the health and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations. The Bureau accomplishes this by managing such activities as outdoor recreation, livestock grazing, mineral development, and energy production, and by conserving natural, historical, cultural, and other resources on public lands.

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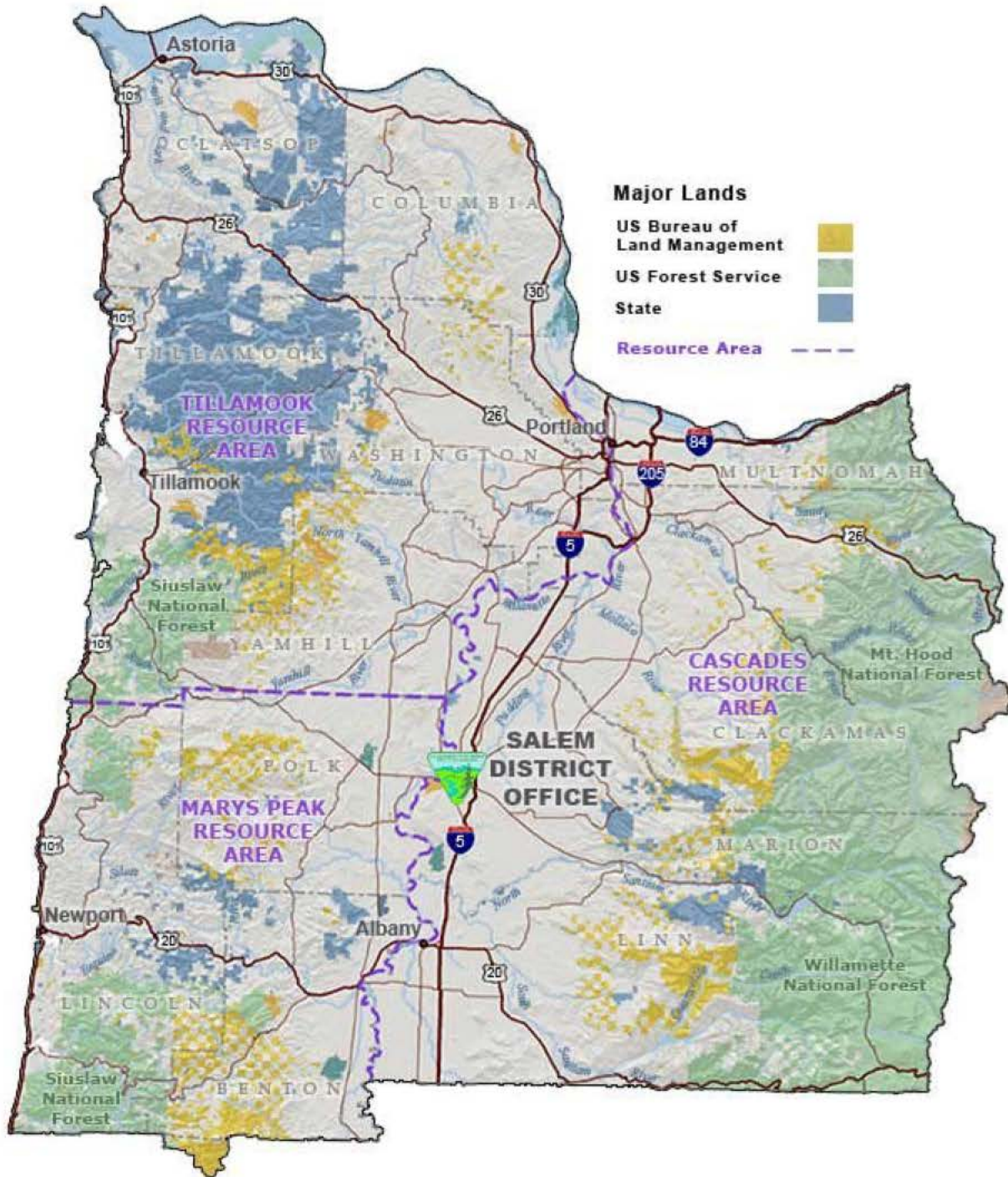
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